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In re Application of:

Joseph R. Brown, et al.

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Examiner: To Be Assigned

For: OCCUPANT SAFETY-RESTRAINT SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FULLY DEPLOYING AN AIRBAG PRIOR TO OCCUPANT CONTACT

Attorney Docket No: 202-1186 (FGT 1853 PA)

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the Patent Office advise applicant's undersigned attorney as to the status of the application.

The above-identified patent application was filed over 2 years ago. The failure by the Patent Office to take action within this time frame may result in an adjustment of the patent term under U.S.C. 154(b) CFR 1.702 – 1.705. We note that the last communication received from the Patent Office was the Office Action dated April 26, 2006, in which we received the Notice of Publication of Application dated for April 13, 2006.

Favorable and prompt consideration is respectfully requested.

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